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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The boundaries of the 67th Representative District are generally in the City of Rockford extending to the southwest; and

WHEREAS, The 67th Representative District has a voting-age population of over 108,000 people of various ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Violent crime is a serious problem in the City of Rockford; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that there is created the Rockford Violent Crime Task Force within the Illinois State Police, to consist of the following:

- (1) the Governor, or his or her designee;
- (2) the Mayor of the City of Rockford, or his or her designee;
- (3) the Illinois Attorney General, or his or her designee;
- (4) a member of an association representing State's Attorneys appointed by the Governor;
- (5) a member of a Winnebago County legal association appointed by the Governor;

1           (6) a member of the Winnebago County Violent Crime Task  
2 Force appointed by the members of the Winnebago County  
3 Violent Crime Task Force;

4           (7) two members of the Illinois House of  
5 Representatives chosen by the Speaker of the Illinois House  
6 of Representatives, one of whom shall serve as co-chair;

7           (8) two members of the Illinois House of  
8 Representatives chosen by the Minority Leader of the  
9 Illinois House of Representatives;

10          (9) the President of the Student Government  
11 Association at Rock Valley College;

12          (10) the Director of Corrections or his or her  
13 designee, who must:

14                 (A) be from the Division of Parole;

15                 (B) be an active field agent; and

16                 (C) possess at least a master's degree in criminal  
17 justice or criminology;

18          (11) a faculty member of the Sociology Department at  
19 Rock Valley College appointed by the President of Rock  
20 Valley College;

21          (12) a faculty member of the Criminal Justice program  
22 at Rock Valley College appointed by the President of Rock  
23 Valley College; and

24          (13) a representative of an organization representing  
25 Rockford-area businesses appointed by the Speaker of the  
26 Illinois House of Representatives; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That all appointments shall be made no later than  
2           45 days following the adoption of this resolution; and be it  
3           further

4           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study and determine the  
5           causes of violent crime in Rockford and nearby affected  
6           communities; and be it further

7           RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall study and determine the  
8           feasibility of deploying the Illinois State Police to Rockford  
9           and nearby affected communities and neighborhoods; and be it  
10          further

11          RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall develop a comprehensive  
12          long-term solution to the effect of violent crime in Rockford  
13          and nearby affected communities; and be it further

14          RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall recommend a plan of  
15          action to substantially reduce the incidents of violent crime  
16          in Rockford and nearby affected communities; and be it further

17          RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall draft any necessary  
18          legislation and make any necessary recommendations for  
19          appropriations for the General Assembly to pass and the  
20          Governor to sign to place the plan of action into immediate

1 effect; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall report its findings and  
3 recommendations and submit any and all proposed legislation to  
4 the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 31,  
5 2016; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the members of the Task Force shall serve  
7 without compensation; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to  
9 the Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives, the  
10 Minority Leader of the Illinois House of Representatives, the  
11 Governor of the State of Illinois, and the Director of State  
12 Police.